

REMARKS

In view of the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and allowance of the subject application.

§112 Rejections

Claims 27-31 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, as allegedly failing to comply with the written description requirement. The Office asserts that the claims contain subject matter which was not described in the specification in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed invention. Specifically, the Office asserts that the term “interpreting the command based on the current operation environment of the command line interface” in claim 27 was not described in the specification. Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

Burden on the Office

The Office has failed to establish a prima facie case of lack of enablement. More particularly, the Office has failed to satisfy its foundational burden for a “lack of enablement” rejection. Therefore, the Office must withdraw the rejections made under 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph.

According to MPEP §2164.04, the Office has the initial *burden* to establish a reasonable basis to question enablement in order to make a “lack of enablement” rejection. Applicant specifically notes that the specification is presumed to be enabling. MPEP §2164.04 states that “A specification disclosure which contains a teaching of the manner and process of making and using an invention in terms

1 which correspond in scope to those used in describing and defining the subject
2 matter sought to be patented *must* be taken as being in compliance with the
3 enablement requirement of 35 U.S.C. 112, first paragraph, unless there is a reason
4 to doubt the objective truth of the statements contained therein which must be
5 relied on for enabling support” (emphasis added). Applicant submits that the
6 Office has failed to provide a reason to doubt the presumption that the
7 specification is enabling.

8 Furthermore, MPEP §2164.04 indicates that the language of the
9 explanation provided by the Office should focus on those factors, reasons, and
10 evidence that lead the examiner to conclude that the specification fails to teach
11 how to make and use the claimed invention without undue experimentation, or that
12 the scope of any enablement provided to one skilled in the art is not commensurate
13 with the scope of protection sought by the claims. This can be done by making
14 specific findings of fact, supported by the evidence, and then drawing conclusions
15 based on these findings of fact. If the examiner believes that information is
16 missing about one or more essential parts or relationships between parts which one
17 skilled in the art could not develop without undue experimentation, according to
18 MPEP §2164.04 “the examiner should *specifically identify* what information is
19 missing and *why one skilled in the art could not supply the information without*
20 *undue experimentation*” (emphasis added). Furthermore, according to MPEP
21 §2164.04, “specific technical reasons [for the rejection] are *always* required”
22 (emphasis added).

23 The Office has not met the initial *burden* of establishing a reasonable basis
24 to question enablement. In addition, the Office has failed to give “specific
25 technical reasons” to support a “lack of enablement” rejection. Instead, the Office

1 simply asserts (Office Action, page 2, par. 2.a.) that the term “interpreting the
2 command based on the current operation environment of the command line
3 interface” in claim 27 was not described in the specification.

4 Although it is clear on the face of the assertions and statements provided by
5 the Office that the Office has failed to meet its burden of establishing a reasonable
6 basis to question enablement, Applicant nonetheless briefly discusses herein below
7 how the disclosure, as filed, enables the claimed invention for one skilled in the
8 art.

9 However, Applicant specifically notes that because the Office did not meet
10 the fundamental requirements for its 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph rejection,
11 Applicant has not been given a fair opportunity to respond to the rejection and it
12 would therefore be inappropriate for the Office to make the next action final.
13 More specifically, according to MPEP §2164.04 regarding the principles of
14 compact prosecution, if an enablement rejection is appropriate, the first Office
15 action on the merits should present the best case with all the relevant reasons,
16 issues, and evidence so that all such rejections can be withdrawn if applicant
17 provides appropriate convincing arguments and/or evidence in rebuttal. Providing
18 the best case in the first Office action will also allow the second Office action to
19 be made final should applicant fail to provide appropriate convincing arguments
20 and/or evidence. Citing new references and/or expanding arguments in a second
21 Office action could prevent that Office action from being made final. The
22 principles of compact prosecution also dictate that if an enablement rejection is
23 appropriate and the examiner recognizes limitations that would render the claims
24 enabled, the examiner should note such limitations to applicant as early in the
25 prosecution as possible.

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2 The Disclosure, As Filed, Enables The Claimed Invention

3 Applicant's **claim 27** recites

4 A method comprising:

5 receiving a command through a command line interface;
6 fetching an alias for the command;
7 interpreting the command based on the alias and the current
operating environment of the command line interface;
8 executing the command as one or more WMI API calls against a
target namespace;
9 receiving WMI data in XML form;
10 applying an XSL style sheet format the WMI data; and
11 presenting the WMI data through the command line interface.

12 The Office asserts that the term "interpreting the command based on the
13 current operation environment of the command line interface" was not described
14 in the specification. First of all, Applicant's claim recites "interpreting the
15 command based on *the alias and* the current operating environment of the
16 command line interface" (emphasis added), and any description of this phrase
should be viewed in its proper context, which includes the entire phrase.

17 Secondly, Applicant's specification clearly describes the claimed subject
18 matter in such a way as to reasonably convey to one skilled in the relevant art that
19 the inventor(s), at the time the application was filed, had possession of the claimed
20 invention. For example, Applicant's specification recites the following at page 17,
21 line 5 - page 18, line 6:

22 The WMI schema exposed by the WMI infrastructure 400 is
23 made visible to the user of the WMI command line utility at a
24 management station 202 through an intermediate alias object. An alias
25 object is effectively a command that is executed on the command line
utility in order to capture the features of a target WMI class and to
facilitate a specific administrative task, such as managing a system

1 process, configuring a netcard, or discovering CPU utilization. Alias
2 objects are instances of well-defined, command-related classes that are
3 organized into a command schema 404, as illustrated in Fig. 5. The
4 command schema 404 drives the WMI command line utility and defines
5 the commands used in the utility. *That is, the command line utility uses
6 the class definitions or aliases in the command schema 404 to interpret
7 the command information entered by a user and apply that command
8 interpretation against the target WMI schema.*

9 *The WMI command line utility and its underlying command
10 schema 404 also permit the organization of commands by roles, so that
11 administrators needing to perform specific administrative tasks are able
12 to focus on a specific set of commands without being faced with the
13 complete set of commands that make up the entire command schema
14 404. The command schema 404 is logically located in a default
15 namespace structure on the management station 202, although it can
16 exist in any namespace on any machine and is not limited to the
17 management station 202. The namespace structure provides a logical
18 grouping of classes and class instances that is intended to reflect the
19 organization of a company's operational environment. Since the
20 operational environment can differ significantly from one company to
21 the next, it is expected that the corresponding namespace structures will
22 also vary substantially from one organization to another. Thus, a given
23 organization is able to organize commands based on suitable
24 administrative roles by creating logical namespace in which relevant
25 alias objects or command class instances can be found.*

(emphasis added).

Thus, the command line utility interprets command information based on
aliases as well as operational environments that indicate how commands are
organized according to administrative roles.

Based at least on the above passage from Applicant's specification, it is
clear that claim 27 is supported by a specification that describes the claimed
subject matter such that one skilled in the art to which it pertains is enabled to
make and/or use the invention. The rejection to claim 27 and its dependent claims
28-31 based on 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, should therefore be removed.

1 In addition, Applicant respectfully requests that any future rejections by the
2 Office which are similarly based on 35 U.S.C. §112, first paragraph, satisfy the
3 fundamental requirements for such rejections so that Applicant has a full and fair
4 opportunity to respond specifically to such rejections.

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6 **§103 Rejections**

7 **Claims 1-26, 33 and 37** are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly
8 being unpatentable over US Patent No. 6,629,128 to Glass in view of US Patent
9 No. 6,560,591 to Memmott et al. (hereinafter, "Memmott"). Applicant respectfully
10 traverses the rejection.

11 Applicant's **claim 1** recites:

12 A command line utility embodied in one or more computer-readable
13 media, the command line utility comprising:

14 an object model command schema to define a mapping
15 between one or more commands and an object model target schema,
16 the one or more commands generated by the command schema and
configured to operate against the target schema through the command
line utility.

17 Glass teaches a system for distributed processing in a computer network
18 that includes, a client side object request broker executing on a client computer
19 and a server-side object request broker executing on a server computer. The
20 system provides communications between objects in different address spaces
21 connected to a common network and generates remote proxies and other objects to
22 provide communications across the network. The server computer is connected to
23 the client computer through the network. A remote proxy generator generates
24 remote proxy classes for client-side communications support for communications
25 between a client application and a server object. The remote proxy generator

1 resides in the server-side object request broker and instantiates the remote proxy
2 class to create a remote proxy object. A client-side type generator generates a
3 client side type object for a class of the server object. The client-side type object
4 provides access to methods of the server object. A client-side function generator
5 generates one or more client-side function objects for providing a connection to
6 one or more methods of the server object. The one or more client-side function
7 objects correspond in number to the one or more methods of the server object. A
8 client-side reference generator generates a client-side reference object for
9 encoding messages sent between the remote proxy object and the server object
10 into a format of a communication protocol used by the server-side object request
11 broker. The distributed processing system also includes a client-side streamer
12 generator that generates a set of streamer objects corresponding in number to the
13 methods of the server object. Each streamer object encodes a method invocation
14 request for an associated server method into the format of the communicator
15 protocol used by the server-side object request broker. (col. 3, ln. 66 - col. 4, ln.
16 49).

17 A server-side local reference generator generates a local reference object
18 that includes an address of the server object and a type of the server object. A
19 server-side type generator generates a server-side type object for the class of the
20 server object. The server-side type address provides access to the methods of the
21 server object. A server-side function generator generates one or more server-side
22 function objects corresponding in number to the one or more client-side function
23 objects. The one or more server-side function objects are linked to the server-side
24 type object. (col. 4, lns. 29-38).

1 Regarding **claim 1**, the Office asserts, at page 3 of the Office Action, that
2 “Glass teaches the invention substantially as claimed including: the command line
3 utility (interface generator 250 is a command line predevelopment utility, col 19,
4 ln 10-14/ Fig. 3/ 10/11), an object mode[l] command schema (client side type
5 generator, col 17, ln 54-58/ col 18, ln 47-53), one or more commands (type object
6 170, col 17, ln 54-58/ function objects 210, col 18, ln 47-53), an object mode[l]
7 target schema (the method of server object 110, col 17, ln 54-58, col 18, ln 47-53),
8 an object mode[l] command schema to define correspondence between one ore
9 [sic] more commands (col 17, ln 50-58/ col 18, ln 47-55), the one or more
10 commands generated by the command schema and configured to operate against
11 the target schema through the command line utility (col 17, ln 50-58/ col 18, ln 47-
12 55)”.

13 Among other things, however, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object
14 model command schema” as recited in claim 1. The Office asserts that the “client
15 side type generator” of Glass (col. 17, ln 54-58; col. 18, ln 47-53) teaches “an
16 object model command schema” as recited in claim 1. However, the “client side
17 type generator” of Glass is not a schema in any respect. A command schema
18 includes a collection of classes which forms a template that is used to represent
19 information about command aliases (Application specification, pg. 20, ln. 12-13).
20 The command schema follows the industry standard CIM schema, which is a way
21 to express management information that relies on inheritance and other object-
22 oriented features for the reuse and standardization of object classes representing
23 system devices. Schemas make significant use of inheritance to allow applications
24 to treat groups of similar objects in the same way.

1 By contrast to the object model command schema of claim 27, the “client
2 side type generator” of Glass is one of various object generation processes of a
3 server-side object request broker (ORB) (114) (col. 17, ln. 15-17). An ORB is
4 programming that acts as a “broker” between a client request for a service from a
5 distributed object or component and the completion of that request. The ORB
6 allows a client program to request a service without knowing where the server is in
7 a distributed network or the exact nature of the interface to the server program.
8 Thus, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object model command schema” as
9 recited in claim 1, because the “client side type generator” of Glass has no relation
10 at all to an object model schema, but is instead, an object generation process of an
11 object request broker (ORB).

12 In addition, Glass does not teach or suggest “an object model target
13 schema” as recited in claim 1. The Office asserts that the “method of server object
14 110” of Glass (col. 17, ln. 54-58, col. 18, ln. 47-53) teaches “an object model
15 target schema” as recited in claim 1. However, a “method of server object 110” of
16 Glass is not a schema in any respect. An object model target schema represents an
17 enterprise through target objects in an object-oriented model that follows the
18 industry standard CIM schema (Application specification, pg. 6, lns. 7-25). The
19 CIM schema provides a way to express management information that relies on
20 inheritance and other object-oriented features for the reuse and standardization of
21 object classes representing system devices. Schemas make significant use of
22 inheritance to allow applications to treat groups of similar objects in the same way.

23 By contrast, a method or methods of a “server object 110” in Glass, are
24 merely procedures included in the server object. In general, methods provide
25 instructions for manipulating an object based on relevant data in the object.

1 Methods are not schemas that represent target objects. The “method of server
2 object 110” of Glass therefore does not teach “an object model target schema” as
3 recited in claim 1. The Office points to nothing in either of the cited reference that
4 teaches or suggests “an object model command schema” or “an object model
5 target schema” as recited in claim 1.

6 Furthermore, there is no teaching or suggestion in Glass of “one or more
7 commands generated by the command schema” or that such commands are
8 “configured to operate against the target schema through the command line
9 utility”. The Office again points to Glass at col. 17, ln. 50-58, and col. 18, ln. 47-
10 55, to support its assertion that Glass teaches “one or more commands generated
11 by the command schema and configured to operate against the target schema
12 through the command line utility”. However, there simply is no such teaching
13 found here or anywhere else in Glass. Glass states the following at col. 17, ln. 50-
14 58:

15 Interface generator 250 and remote enabling classes without
16 interfaces are discussed in the following section.

17 Client-side type generator 302 generates type object 170 using
18 class information obtained from server object 110. Type object 170
19 represents the class of server object 110 and includes an array of
function objects 172 that provide access to the methods of server
object 110.

20 At col. 18, ln. 47-55, Glass states the following:

21 Server-side function generator 314 generates function objects
22 210 or specialized function objects such as EJBfunction objects 206.
23 Function objects 210 or EJB function objects 206 correspond in
24 number to the methods of server object 110. Each function object 210
or EJB function object 206 directly invokes a corresponding method
on server object 110. Each EJBfunction object 206 is instantiated
25 from a standard EJBfunction class that provides common

1 functionality in addition to the functionality of function object 210.
2 Unique functionality may be added to each EJBfunction object 206
3 after it has been instantiated to provide for unique processing needs
4 included in function object 210.

5 The Office provides nothing to suggest that there is any relationship at all
6 between these cited passages in Glass and Applicant's claim 1, which recites "one
7 or more commands generated by the command schema and configured to operate
8 against the target schema through the command line utility". If this rejection is to
9 be maintained, Applicant respectfully requests some explanation as to any such
10 relationship in order that Applicant is afforded a full and fair opportunity to
11 respond to this rejection. Furthermore, if the next Action maintains such rejection,
12 Applicant additionally requests that such Action not be made final so that
13 Applicant may have a full and fair opportunity to respond to the rejection.

14 Continuing with respect to claim 1, the Office admits at page 3 of the
15 Office Action, that Glass does not teach "a correspondence as a mapping" (i.e., the
16 "object model command schema to define a mapping" and the "mapping between
17 one or more commands and an object model target schema" as recited in claim 1).
18 Instead, the Office relies on Memmott for such teaching. The Office asserts that
19 Memmott's "mapping of at least a portion of the query received in task into the
20 namespace of the data provider indicated by the corresponding data provider
21 identifier" at col. 5, ln. 50-55 and col. 9, ln. 64-68, teaches Applicant's claimed
22 "object model command schema to define a mapping" and that such mapping is
23 "mapping between one or more commands and an object model target schema".

24 Memmott teaches a system for managing data providers. A data requester
25 110 forwards a query to a data resolver 120, which chooses a priority list of data
providers 130 from a set of lists based on the characteristic of the query. The data

1 resolver 120 forwards a request to a data provider 130 in the list based on the
2 query. The data resolver 120 receives data in response to the request and returns a
3 response to the data requestor 110 based on the data. (col. 3, ln 7-62; col. 4, ln 1-
4 21).

5 Regarding Applicant's claim 1, the Office has not pointed to anything in
6 Memmott or any other reference that teaches or suggests an "object model
7 command schema to define a mapping" or that such mapping is a "mapping
8 between one or more commands and an object model target schema". The Office
9 asserts that Memmott teaches "a mapping" at col. 5, ln. 50-55 and col. 9, ln. 64-68.
10 However, as noted, Applicant's claim 1 recites "a mapping between one or more
11 commands and an object model target schema". By contrast, Memmott teaches a
12 string that represents a mapping between a portion of a query and a data provider
13 identifier. This is not the same as "a mapping between one or more commands
14 and an object model target schema". Furthermore, Memmott does not teach or
15 suggest "an object model command schema to define a mapping" as recited in
16 Applicant's claim 1. Like Glass, Memmott does not teach "an object model
17 command schema" at all. Thus, it cannot fairly be said that Memmott teaches "an
18 object model command schema to define a mapping". It further cannot fairly be
19 said that Memmott teaches "an object model command schema to define a
20 mapping between one or more commands and an object model target schema", as
21 recited in Applicant's claim 1.

22 A prima facie case of obviousness requires that the prior art reference (or
23 references when combined) must teach or suggest all the claim limitations (MPEP
24 2142, 2143). However, it is clear from the above discussion, that various elements
25 recited in Applicant's claim 1 are not taught or suggested by Glass and Memmott,

1 alone or in combination. Furthermore, the various elements discussed above and
2 recited in Applicant's claim 1 are not taught or suggested by any other references
3 relied upon by the Office. For at least the numerous reasons above showing that
4 Glass and Memmott, alone or in combination, fail to teach or suggest all the claim
5 limitations of claim 1, a prima facie case of obviousness is not supported.
6 Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 1 be
7 removed.

8 **Claims 2-15** depend from claim 1 and therefore include the elements of
9 claim 1. Therefore, claims 2-15 are allowable at least on the basis of this
10 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither
11 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully
12 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 2-15 be removed.

13 Independent **claim 16** recites:

14 An object model schema embodied in one or more computer-
15 readable media, the object model schema comprising:

16 an alias class to define alias instances, each alias
instance representing a command;

17 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance
representing behavior available through an alias instance;

18 a parameter class to define parameters accepted by a
verb instance;

19 a format class to define format instances, each format
instance having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias
20 instance;

21 a property class to define property instances, each
property instance representing a property value from a property list;

22 a connection class to define connection instances, each
connection instance representing connection parameters used by an
alias instance to establish a connection to the target schema;

23 a qualifier class to define qualifier instances, each
qualifier instance representing constraints on elements of an alias
24 instance;

25 a localized string class to define localized string

1 instances, each localized string instance representing a text
2 localization for translating text into a localized language; and
3 a see-also association to associate an alias instance with
4 other related alias instances.

5 On page 5 of the current Office Action, the Office rejects independent
6 **claim 16** for the same reasons it rejects claim 12. Furthermore, the Office rejects
7 claim 12 for the same reasons it rejects claims 2-8. Regarding claim 2, the Office
8 asserts that Memmott teaches an alias class at col. 5, ln 18-30 and col. 4, ln 40-60.
9 However, Memmott merely discusses query characteristics that indicate different
10 classes, e.g., class 1 and class 2. Nowhere does Memmott teach or suggest “an
11 alias class to define alias instances, each alias instance representing a command”
12 as recited in Applicant’s claim 16. Thus, the rejection of claim 16 is not supported
13 and should be removed.

14 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with
15 respect to claim 3, Memmott teaches a verb class, a format class, and a connection
16 class as a subclass at col. 5, ln 17-30 and col. 4 ln 40-60. However, the words
17 “verb class”, “format class”, and “connection class” do not appear in any form
18 throughout the entire text of Memmott. Furthermore, there is no discussion
19 whatsoever in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or implies a “verb class”, “format
20 class”, or a “connection class”. As shown above, Applicant’s claim 16 recites,

21 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance
22 representing behavior available through an alias instance;

23 a format class to define format instances, each format instance
24 having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias instance;

25 a connection class to define connection instances, each
connection instance representing connection parameters used by an
alias instance to establish a connection to the target schema;

1 For the additional reasons that Memmott does not teach or suggest a “verb
2 class to define verb instances, each . . .”, “format class to define format instances,
3 each . . .”, or a “connection class to define connection instances, each . . .” as
4 recited in Applicant’s claim 16, the rejection of claim 16 is not supported and
5 should be removed.

6 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with
7 respect to claim 4, Memmott teaches at col. 5, ln 18-30, a parameter class as a
8 subclass with each instance of the parameter class representing parameters.
9 However, claim 16 recites,

10 a verb class to define verb instances, each verb instance
11 representing behavior available through an alias instance;
12 a parameter class to define parameters accepted by a verb
13 instance;

14 As noted above, Memmott does not teach or suggest “a verb class to define
15 verb instances”. Thus, it cannot fairly be said that Memmott teaches “a parameter
16 class to define parameters accepted by a verb instance”. Furthermore, the words
17 “parameter class” do not appear in any form throughout the entire text of
18 Memmott. Moreover, there is no discussion in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or
19 implies a “parameter class to define parameters accepted by a verb instance”.
20 Accordingly, for the additional reason that Memmott does not teach or suggest a
21 “parameter class” as recited in Applicant’s claim 16, the rejection of claim 16 is
22 not supported and should be removed.

23 Further regarding the rejection of claim 16, the Office asserts that with
24 respect to claim 5, Memmott teaches at col. 5, ln 18-30, a property class as a
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1 subclass to the format class with each instance of the property class representing a
2 property value. With respect to a property class, claim 16 recites,

3 a format class to define format instances, each format instance
4 having a list of properties to be displayed through an alias instance;
5 a property class to define property instances, each property
6 instance representing a property value from a property list;

7 First of all, there is no discussion or teaching in Memmott regarding a
8 “format class to define format instances, each format instance having a list of
9 properties to be displayed through an alias instance”. Thus, it cannot fairly be said
10 that Memmott teaches “a property class to define property instances, each property
11 instance representing a property value from a property list”. Furthermore, the
12 words “property class”, “property instances”, “property list”, “format class”, etc.,
13 do not appear in any form throughout the entire text of Memmott. Moreover, there
14 is no discussion whatsoever in Memmott that teaches, suggests, or implies
15 anything about a “property class”. Accordingly, for these additional reasons, the
16 rejection of claim 16 is not supported and should be removed.

17 The very same arguments stated above regarding certain elements of claim
18 16, can be equally applied to the various other elements of claim 16. That is,
19 Memmott does not teach, suggest, or imply anything regarding elements including
20 “a qualifier class”, “a localized string class”, or “a see-also association”.

21 For at least all the numerous reasons stated above, the rejection of claim 16
22 is not supported. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection to
23 claim 16 be removed.
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1 Regarding independent **claim 17**, the Office rejects claim 17 for the same
2 reasons it rejects claim 1. The elements of claim 17 parallel those discussed above
3 with respect to claim 1. For example, claim 17 recites in part:

4 a set of commands generated by an object model
5 command schema to operate against an object model target schema,
6 the command schema defining a mapping between the set of
7 commands and the target schema; and
8 an interface utility to facilitate implementation of
9 individual commands within the set of commands.

10 Therefore, the reasoning stated herein above regarding the rejection of
11 claim 1 is similarly applicable to the rejection of claim 17. For example, none of
12 the cited references teaches or suggests “a set of commands generated by an object
13 model command schema”. Accordingly, for at least the various reasons stated
14 above regarding claim 1, Applicant respectfully submits that a prima facie case of
15 obviousness is not supported with respect to claim 17. Applicant therefore
16 respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 17 be removed.

17 **Claims 18-23** depend from claim 17 and therefore include the elements of
18 claim 17. Therefore, claims 18-23 are allowable at least on the basis of this
19 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither
20 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully
21 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 18-23 be removed.

22 Regarding independent **claim 24**, the Office rejects claim 24 for the same
23 reasons it rejects claims 1 and 9-12. Claim 24 recites the following:

24 A management application embodied in one or more computer-
25 readable media, the management application comprising:
 a first object model to control the configuration and
 behavior of the management application in operating against and
 managing a second object model.

1 Although the Office rejects claim 24 for the same reasons it rejects claims 1
2 and 9-12, in its rejection of claim 1 and 9-12, the Office does not point out
3 anything in any of the cited references that teach or suggest the elements of claim
4 24. Furthermore, a thorough review of the cited references reveals that the
5 references do not teach or suggest the elements of claim 24. Specifically, none of
6 the cited references teaches or suggests at least “a first object model to control the
7 configuration and behavior of the management application in operating against
8 and managing a second object model” as recited in claim 24. Accordingly, the
9 rejection of claim 24 cannot stand, and Applicant respectfully requests that the 35
10 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claim 24 be removed.

11 **Claims 25-26** depend from claim 24 and therefore include the elements of
12 claim 24. Therefore, claims 25-26 are allowable at least on the basis of this
13 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither
14 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully
15 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 25-26 be removed.

16 The Office also rejects **claim 33** based on Glass and Memmott. Regarding
17 independent claim 33, the Office rejects claim 33 for the same reasons it rejects
18 claim 1. Claim 33 recites the following:

19 A method of managing objects in a target schema comprising:
20 providing a user interface;
21 defining a command structure through an object-oriented
22 command schema, the command schema including an alias class;
23 instantiating an object of the alias class as an alias by receiving
24 parameters of the alias class through the user interface, the alias
25 representing a command which maps to an object in the target
schema; and
executing the command against the object in the target schema.

1 To the extent elements of claim 33 parallel elements recited in claim 1 (e.g.,
2 “defining a command structure through an object-oriented command schema, the
3 command schema including an alias class”), arguments already presented above
4 regarding the rejection of claim 1 apply similarly to the rejection of claim 33. For
5 these reasons alone, claim 33 is allowable over Glass and Memmott and the
6 rejection to claim 33 should be removed.

7 Furthermore, there is no teaching or suggestion in Glass and Memmott or
8 any other cited reference of the various additional elements of claim 33, including,
9 “instantiating an object of the alias class as an alias by receiving parameters of the
10 alias class through the user interface”, or “the alias representing a command which
11 maps to an object in the target schema”. The Office Action does not point to
12 anything in the cited references that teaches or suggests these elements of claim
13 33. Further, Applicant is unable to find any teaching or suggestion of such
14 elements in any of the cited references. Accordingly, for these additional reasons,
15 claim 33 is allowable over the cited references and the rejection to claim 33 should
16 be removed.

17 The Office also rejects **claim 37** based on Glass and Memmott. Regarding
18 independent claim 37, the Office rejects claim 37 for the same reasons it rejects
19 claim 33. Accordingly, the same arguments regarding claim 33 from above apply
20 equally to claim 37. Thus, for at least these same reasons, claim 37 is allowable
21 over the cited references and the rejection to claim 37 should be removed.

22 The Office rejects **claims 27-32** under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly being
23 unpatentable over Memmott in view of Glass and further in view of Steve
24 (Network and System Management with XML) (hereinafter, “Steve”). Applicant
25 respectfully traverses the rejection.

1 **Claim 27** recites, in part, the following:

2 receiving a command through a command line interface;
3 fetching an alias for the command;
4 interpreting the command based on the alias and the current
5 operating environment of the command line interface;
6 executing the command as one or more WMI API calls against
7 a target namespace;
8 receiving WMI data in XML form;
9 applying an XSL style sheet format the WMI data; and
10 presenting the WMI data through the command line interface.

11 Regarding **claim 27**, the Office asserts that Memmott teaches all the
12 elements of claim 27 except the “WMI API”. The Office points to Memmott at
13 various locations in cols. 3, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 9. However, Memmott does not teach
14 or suggest “fetching an alias for the command”, where the “command” is received
15 “through a command line interface”, as generally recited in claim 27. The Office
16 does not point to anything in Memmott or any other reference that teaches or
17 suggests such elements. In addition, Memmott does not teach or suggest
18 “interpreting the command based on the alias and the current operating
19 environment of the command line interface”, where the “command” is received
20 “through a command line interface” and the “alias” is fetched “for the command”.
21 In addition, Memmott does not teach or suggest “executing the command as one or
22 more WMI API calls against a target namespace”, where the “command” is
23 received “through a command line interface”. In addition, Memmott does not
24 teach or suggest “receiving WMI data in XML form”, or “applying an XSL style
25 sheet format the WMI data”, or “presenting the WMI data through the command
line interface”, all as recited in Applicant’s claim 27. The Office has not pointed

1 to anything in Memmott or any other reference that teaches or suggests these
2 elements as recited in claim 27.

3 The Office is invited to point to *specific locations* in Memmott or within
4 any of the other cited references, where such elements of claim 27 are taught,
5 suggested, or implied in any way. Applicant respectfully submits that such
6 teachings, suggestions, or implications, do not exist in any of the cited references.
7 Accordingly, the rejection of claim 27 cannot stand, and Applicant respectfully
8 requests that the §103(a) rejection of claim 27 be removed.

9 Furthermore, regarding claim 27, the Office admits that Memmott and
10 Glass do not teach an XSL style sheet, and refers to Steve (pg. 4 of 8, ln. 38-45 to
11 page 5 of 8, ln. 1-8) for support of such teaching. The Office asserts that Steve
12 teaches a command line and an XSL style sheet. Steve provides a very broad
13 statement regarding “Network and Systems Management with XML”. Included in
14 Steve are general discussions of CIM and XML. Steve mentions on pg 4, ln 38 -
15 pg 5, ln 8, that “A forthcoming new standard . . . is the Extensible Style Language
16 (XSL)” and that “a command-line interface could be displayed as a style-sheet-
17 defined view . . . expressed with XML”. However, claim 27 recites “fetching an
18 alias for the command”, where the “command” is received “through a command
19 line interface”. Such elements are not taught or suggested by Steve, and as noted
20 above, are also not taught or suggested by the other cited references. Claim 27
21 further recites, “interpreting the command based on the alias and the current
22 operating environment of the command line interface”, where the “command” is
23 received “through a command line interface” and the “alias” is fetched “for the
24 command”. Claim 27 also recites, “executing the command as one or more WMI
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1 API calls against a target namespace”, where the “command” is received “through
2 a command line interface”. Steve does not teach or suggest these elements.

3 For these additional reasons, Applicant respectfully submits that a prima
4 facie case of obviousness is not supported with regard to Applicant’s claim 27, and
5 respectfully requests that the §103(a) rejection to claim 27 be removed.

6 **Claims 28-32** depend from claim 27 and therefore include the elements of
7 claim 27. Therefore, claims 28-32 are allowable at least on the basis of this
8 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither
9 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully
10 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 28-32 be removed.

11 The Office also rejects **claims 34-36** under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as allegedly
12 being unpatentable over Glass in view of Memmott and further in view of Steve.
13 Applicant respectfully traverses the rejection.

14 As noted above regarding claim 33, Glass and Memmott fail to teach or
15 suggest the elements of claim 33. Applicant further notes that Steve does not
16 remedy the deficiencies of Glass and Memmott and that claim 33 is allowable over
17 the combination of these 3 references.

18 **Claims 34-36** depend from claim 33 and therefore include the elements of
19 claim 33. Therefore, claims 34-36 are allowable at least on the basis of this
20 dependency, in addition to the further elements recited therein which are neither
21 shown nor suggested by the cited references. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully
22 requests that the 35 U.S.C. §103(a) rejection to claims 34-36 be removed.

1 **Conclusion**

2 All pending claims are in condition for allowance. Applicant respectfully
3 requests reconsideration and prompt issuance of the subject application. If any
4 issues remain that prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to
5 contact the undersigned attorney before issuing a subsequent Action.

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8 Respectfully Submitted,

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